

REMARKS

Claims 3-21 are pending in this application. Claims 3-21 have previously been allowed. Claims 3, 6, 14 and 16 have been amended.

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

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